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SUBJ: ANCHOVY SITUATION

1. ANCHOVY FISHING EXPECTED TERMINATE TODAY WITH TOTAL OF 500,000 M.T. CAUGHT THIS FIRST PERIOD. TOTAL 443,500 TONS THROUGH MARCH 22.

2. RESULTS GENERALLY SATISFYING WITH GOOD DISTRIBUTION ALONG CENTRAL COAST BUT WITH DAILY AVERAGE OF FIRST TWO WEEKS DECLINING FROM ABOUT 40,000 TO 25,000 LAST WEEK. THE SOUTH SHOWED SOME SEASONAL DECLINE AND CHIMBOTE YIELDED LESS THAN EXPECTED, INDICATING THAT NORTHERN AREA STILL RECOVERING.

3. EXPECT THAT FISHING WILL RESUME APRIL 2 FOR ANOTHER 500,000 TONS BUT THIS NOT CONFIRMED. RESULTS THEN SHOULD INDICATE MORE ACCURATELY DEGREE OF RECOVERY.

4. ANCHOVY SIZE REPORTED GOOD WITH LITTLE OF OTHER SPECIES CHARACTERISTICS OF LAST YEAR. MEAL RECOVERY REPORTED AT 21.9 PERCENT AND OIL BELIEVED OVER 3 PERCENT.

5. PRODUCTION OF MEAL THUS FAR ESTIMATED AT 109,000 TONS AND OIL 15,000 TONS. EPCHAP WAS AUTHORIZED TO RENEW EXPORTS BOTH MEAL AND OIL ON MARCH 14.
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